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## Iowa Cattle on Feed Numbers Down 4% from Last Year

**Iowa:** There were 855,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on May 1, 2007, down 1 percent from April 1, 2007, and down 4 percent from May 1, 2006. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 530,000 head on feed, unchanged from last month and up 7 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 325,000 head on feed, down 2 percent from last month, and down 19 percent from last year.

Placements during April totaled 93,000 head, a decrease of 11 percent from last month but up 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 61,000 head, down 15 percent from last month and down 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 32,000 head. This is unchanged from last month but up 28 percent from last year.

Marketings for April were 92,000 head, down 10 percent from last month and down 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 59,000 head, down 16 percent from last month and down 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less

than 1,000 head marketed 33,000 head, up 3 percent from last month, but down 11 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 6,000 head.

**United States:** Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on May 1, 2007. The inventory was 2 percent below May 1, 2006 but 6 percent above May 1, 2005. This is the second highest May 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.57 million, 3 percent below 2006 and 5 percent below 2005. Net placements were 1.47 million. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 375,000, 600-699 pounds were 263,000, 700-799 pounds were 430,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 505,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.82 million, 2 percent above 2006 and 1 percent above 2005.

Other disappearance totaled 99,000 during April, 14 percent above 2006 and 9 percent above 2005.

### All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Cattle on Feed, April 1, 2007	530	330	860
April Placements	61	32	93
April Marketings	59	33	92
April Other Disappearance	2	4	6
Cattle on Feed, May 1, 2007	530	325	855

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month,  
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots <sup>1</sup>**

State	Cattle on Feed May 1			Placements during April			Marketings during April			April Disappearance other than Slaughter <sup>2</sup>		
	2006	2007	'07 as % of '06	2006	2007	'07 as % of '06	2006	2007	'07 as % of '06	2006	2007	'07 as % of '06
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	345	340	99	27	31	115	24	30	125	9	1	11
CA	530	550	104	60	85	142	60	61	102	5	4	80
CO	1,060	1,020	96	130	155	119	130	135	104	10	20	200
ID	245	235	96	31	35	113	34	40	118	2	5	250
<b>IA</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>67</b>
KS	2,530	2,350	93	375	355	95	410	445	109	25	40	160
NE	2,320	2,420	104	320	290	91	390	340	87	10	10	100
NM	132	118	89	18	12	67	24	24	100	1	1	100
OK	340	335	99	48	54	113	66	68	103	2	1	50
SD	200	230	115	28	36	129	35	34	97	3	2	67
TX	2,910	2,680	92	455	380	84	470	490	104	15	10	67
WA	152	154	101	23	22	96	22	30	136	1	1	100
Oth Sts	300	335	112	40	57	143	54	65	120	1	2	200
US	11,559	11,297	98	1,619	1,573	97	1,785	1,821	102	87	99	114

<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. <sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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